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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BENC, AF, IR

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: AFGHANISTAN'S KANDAHAR CEMENT
PLANT

REF: A) TEHRAN 7505 AND PREVIOUS, B) KABUL 5495 AND
PREVIOUS

1. FULLER COMPANY CONTINUES TO HAVE HOPE FOR ITS
CONTRACT TO BUILD KANDAHAR CEMENT PLANT IN AFGHANISTAN.
HOWEVER, FULLER'S JOINT VENTURE PARTNER, FISHBACH-OMAN,
IS APPARENTLY IN PROCESS OF CLOSING ITS OPERATIONS IN
AFGHANISTAN, WHICH WOULD LEAVE FULLER WITHOUT CONTRACTOR
IN-COUNTRY AND WOULD RAISE COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING PROJECT.
FULLER FEARS EAST EUROPEANS ARE ATTEMPTING SUPPLANT

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FULLER-FISHBACH GROUP ON PROJECT, AND, IF PROBLEM OF
FINANCING IS NOT REMEDIED SOON, FULLER WILL HAVE TO
WRITE OFF PROJECT AS LOST.

2. AS EMBASSY TEHRAN ADVISED REF A, FULLER HAS WORKED
OUT AGREEMENT WITH IDRO OF IRAN TO SUPPLY PORTION OF
KANDAHAR PACKAGE IN HOPE THAT THIS WOULD SATISFY

GOI AND IRANIAN FINANCING WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO

AFGHANISTAN. DO NOT KNOW WHETHER MEETING BETWEEN GOI
MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND FINANCE OFFICIALS
AND AFGHAN OFFICIALS REPORTED REF A TOOK PLACE, BUT
APPARENTLY NO OFFER OF RENEWING IRANIAN FINANCING HAS
AS YET BEEN FORTHCOMING.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSIES' READINGS ON STATUS THIS
PROJECT FROM BOTH IRANIAN AND AFGHAN SIDES. FULLER
HAS SUGGESTED THAT A MEETING IN U.S. WITH IRANIAN
AMBASSADOR WOULD SPEED UP GOI DECISION-MAKING PROCESS,
BUT WE ARE NOT CONVINCED THIS WOULD BE BEST APPROACH.
WOULD WELCOME ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EMBASSIES ON
STEPS THAT MIGHT BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME. EMBASSY TEHRAN
MAY WISH TO CONTACT LOCAL FULLER REP TO GET FIRST-HAND
REPORT ON COMPANY'S DEALINGS WITH IDRO AND GOI. PLEASE
RESPOND SOONEST.
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